

# GODDARD AUTO TECH CENTER

## ELECTION NEWS BULLETIN

NASA-Goddard Space Flight Center

July 8, 1999

### ELECTIONS --

Thursday, July 29<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm  
Building 32, Room E109/E103

The first building on your right after you go through the gate when going to the Garage.

PLEASE BE ON TIME SO THAT WE CAN ACHIEVE A QUORUM QUICKLY.

#### AGENDA

1. Food – Pizza and Beverages
2. Treasurer's Report
3. Elections
4. Open Forum (Optional)
5. Adjournment

### IMPORTANT - REMEMBER TO VOTE

Come to the election meeting on Thursday, July 29th and vote. The meeting will be held in a comfortable, **air-conditioned** room in Building 32. Pizza and beverages will be available. We must have a quorum (presently requiring 35 members) **or the election must be held again.** If you cannot make it, be sure to send in your absentee ballot to Election Committee member Chuck Engler at Code 544. The Election Committee members are Chuck Engler (head), Peter Smith, Christian Malone, and Brian Pickrell (alternate).

### RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Don't forget to renew your membership. Green cards will not be accepted by Security after August 1<sup>st</sup>. Send your checks along with a membership renewal form to the GATC at Code 030.4. The membership

renewal form is on the web page at <http://mscweb.gsfc.nasa.gov/gatc/news>

### UNIDENTIFIED VAN

Whoever owns the blue van at the Garage, please contact an Officer at once!

### GARAGE IS NOW VERY CLEAN, BUT VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED

A major clean-up activity occurred in preparation for the Garage Safety Inspection. From now on, please make an extra effort to keep the Garage clean and orderly! I am still waiting for volunteers to sign-up for the Monthly Garage Clean-up Activity. Contact Ken Blumenstock at [Kenneth.A.Blumenstock.1@gsfc.nasa.gov](mailto:Kenneth.A.Blumenstock.1@gsfc.nasa.gov) or 286-4268.

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED

Your voice is needed to plan for the future. You don't have to get dirty for this job, but a few more hours of your time will be required. Volunteer to serve on the Garage Needs Committee or the By-Laws Committee.

### BAY 1 LIFT BROKEN

The chain broke on the Bay 1 Lift (the frame lift) during the holiday weekend. The chain is below the floor under the steel plate and is used to transmit torque from the motor driven screw to the slave screw. The screws had to be manually operated one side at a time to lower the car that was on the lift. An e-mail message as well as a web site message will indicate when the lift is again operational.

## 1999 GATC Election Platforms

### **Kenneth A. Blumenstock/Presidential candidate platform (incumbent)**

Previous Experience: President 1 year, Vice-President 6 months, Treasurer 3 years

Dear fellow Auto Tech Center members:

The past year has been a good one for the GATC. Debts to the former president for reimbursement of expenses, and to GEWA for the repayment of a three-year interest free loan for the bay doors, have been paid-off. We are now out of debt with some money in the bank. We did this simply by spending minimal money. The Garage is in good shape having recently been prepared for the annual Safety and Compressor Inspections. A number of enthusiastic volunteers worked together to clean up and make the necessary repairs and enhancements. Our membership has been increasing steadily with 140 to date. We now have a web site (thanks to Joe Schepis) where there is easy access to news, the Constitution and by-laws, forms, and informative links pertinent to the Club. I wish to continue to serve the Club with your (the membership's) cooperation. I have requested volunteers for a number of committees. I hope to see membership participation in the planning and prioritizing of future Garage purchases and projects for both short and long term. I also want to see members sign-up for the rotating Garage clean-up schedule. With your help, the Garage will be clean, orderly, better equipped, and more convenient to use for all.

Sincerely,

Kenneth A. Blumenstock

### **Larry Phillips /Vice President Platform**

I've been a member of The Goddard Auto Club for 5 + Years, served in the positions of both the Secretary and Vice President and countless volunteer positions/jobs/hours. As your Vice President I shall continue my efforts to improve the GAC Facilities. We have an excellent facility for working on our automobiles. I will continue to foster full cooperation with the GEWA Committee and GSFC Administration. In addition to continue to help the membership in any way possible.

Thank You,

Larry Phillips

### **Frank Demare /Secretary**

If elected, I will continue to serve as I have for the last several years. We now conduct much of our business by e-mail and internet and I believe we are more efficient for it. I also propose to implement a key card access system this year.

### **Joe Generie /Treasurer**

To: Goddard Auto Club Members

Re: Election for Treasurer

Fellow Members:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support in the last election cycle. This can only mean that it's time for a new election and once again I am asking for your vote. It has been an interesting year, to say the least. I have taken the side of fiscal conservancy due to the money that was owed to Mr. Olivares and the last payment for the garage doors. Both of these payments were made and the state of our monetary resources is brighter. We can now look to the future. What this means is that, with some foresight, we can purchase equipment that will be of benefit the club. If re-elected, I will try to steer these purchases for the overall benefit of club members while maintaining good fiscal policy. I would also like to pursue putting the financial statements of the club on our "soon to be exsessed from excess" computer (the computer will be in the garage, somewhere). I thank you for your time and your vote.

Regards,

Joseph A. Generie

### **Frank Shelton /Facilities chairman**

Previous Experience: Facilities Chairman (June '97 – July '99, Nov '90 – June '91, June '72 – '83) Total

Number of Terms in Current Position: 15+

Campaign Platform: If reelected, I promise to...

1. Continue to improve our Garage (appearance, accessibility & operability) for everyone!
2. Do Good and avoid evil!
3. Get more members to volunteer!

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## GAC Absentee Ballot Election of Officers

This ballot must be submitted to any Election Committee member before voting commences on July 29, 1999. GSFC internal mail, US Postal Service delivery or hand carry only; do not FAX your ballot.

### For President

A. Ken Blumenstock (incumbent ).....

B.

C.

### For Vice-President

A. Larry Phillips (incumbent ).....

B.

C.

### For Secretary

A. Frank Demare (incumbent) .....

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C.

### For Treasurer

A. Joe Generie (incumbent ).....

B.

C.

### For Facilities Chairman

A. Frank Shelton (incumbent) .....

B.

C.

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The information you provide below is mandatory and is used by the Election Committee for the sole purpose of verifying ballot validity.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (print)      Membership Number \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_      Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail absentee ballot to any Election Committee member below, or bring to the election meeting:

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